



At the Court at Whitehall,

The Twenty eighth of November, 1677.

Present,

The Kings Most Excellent Majesty,

Lord Chancellor
Lord Treasurer
Lord Privy Seal
Earl of Bathe
Earl of Carlisle
Earl of Craven
Earl of Carbery
Viscount Faulconberg

Lord Bishop of London
Lord Bishop of Durham
Lord Maynard
Mr Vice-Chamberlain
Mr Secretary Coventry
Mr Secretary Williamson
Mr Montagu
Mr Chancellor of the Dutchy.



Whereas his Excellency the *Heer Van Beuninghen* Ambassadour Extraordinary from the States General of the United Netherlands having by his Memorial to His Majesty of the 22th of September last, made Complaint of his being highly Affronted by some Persons who presumed to Cite him by vertue of Two several Orders of His Majesty in Council, to appear at the Council Table the 10th of October then following, and afterwards caused to be Printed, with the said Orders, a False and Scandalous Memorandum, highly reflecting upon the Person and Character of the said Ambassadour, which were not onely Publickly Dispersed, but Affixed at the Exchange, and other places within the City of London: And therefore demanding that Publick Satisfaction might be made, as well to the States his Masters, as to himself, for the said Indignities, His Majesty was pleased to Direct this Matter to be forthwith Examined; And it thereupon appearing, That *George Carew* Esquire (one of the Petitioners mentioned in the said Orders of Council) was the Person that caused the said Ambassadour to be Cited, as also the said Orders with the Memorandum annexed, to be Printed. His Majesty did thereupon Order the said *George Carew* to be Committed Prisoner to the Gatehouse Westminster, for the said Offences, until he should have made his humble submission to the said Ambassadour. And the said *George Carew* having this day attended His Majesty in Council, with his Submission, which he there Read and Signed, as followeth, *Viz.*

To his Excellency Monsieur Van Beuninghen, Ambassadour Extraordinary
from the States General of the United Netherlands.

The humble Address and Submission of *George Carew* Esquire,
Prisoner in the Gatehouse,

Sheweth,

That he being Committed into Custody upon your Excellencies Complaint, for causing your Excellency to be Cited upon Two Orders of the Council Board: He most humbly asks Pardon for such his Offence. And does further acknowledge himself to be Guilty of causing a False and Scandalous Paper to be Printed: For which, and for the Offence thereby given to your Excellency, He does again most humbly beg your Excellencies Pardon.

George Carew.

And having afterwards presented the same to the said Ambassadour, humbly asking His Excellencies Pardon, the said Ambassadour declared that he freely forgave him. Which being Reported to His Majesty, His Majesty was thereupon pleased to Order, That the said *George Carew* should be discharged from his Imprisonment.

But His Majesty out of a just Resentment of the said Affronts and Indignities, and to testifie his tender Care for Vindicating the Rights and Priviledges due to the Persons and Characters of Ambassadors and Publick Ministers, Hath thought fit to Direct and Command, That this Order be forthwith Printed, and Affixed upon the Royal Exchange London, at the usual Hour of Merchants meeting there, and at the Court Gate, by one of the Messengers of His Majesties Chamber in Ordinary, to the end that the Reparation might be as Publick as the Indignities offered to the said Ambassadour.

JOHN NICHOLAS.

L O N D O N,

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